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In re the Application of: **Masami KIDONO et al.**

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For: **ELECTRONIC IMAGING APPARATUS OPERABLE IN TWO MODES, WITH A DIFFERENT OPTICAL BLACK CORRECTION PROCEDURE BEING EFFECTED IN EACH MODE (As Amended).**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2003 for one month from February 24, 2004 to March 24, 2004.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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